

## San Mateo Item.

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### STATE TROOPS' UNIFORMS

Will Be Same as Those Worn By United States Regular Army.

Tallahassee, Fla.—On or about January 1, 1906, the different organizations of the Florida state troops are to be supplied with the olive drab service uniform. General orders covering the issue of the new clothing have been issued from the general headquarters of the troops.

This will be good news to the officers and enlisted men of the troops, as the subject of clothing for the troops has always been a serious one for commanding officers of the various units. The new clothing will enable the troops to make a much neater appearance when turned out for occasions of ceremony.

Under a recent act of the national congress, the organized militia of the several states in the country must comply in organization, clothing and equipment, with the war department's regulations governing the regular army of the United States.

In carrying out the provisions of this act, all states in the country are receiving the same clothing, arms and general equipment as is prescribed for the regular army.

### Medicine That Is Medicine.

"I have suffered a good deal with malaria and stomach complaints, but I have now found a remedy that keeps me well, and that remedy is Electric Bitters; a medicine that is medicine for stomach and liver troubles and for run down conditions," says W. C. Kleistler, of Halliday, Ark. Electric Bitters purify and enrich the blood, blood, tone up the nerves, and impart vigor and energy to the weak. Your money will be refunded if it fails to help you. 50c at S. F. Rowley's drug store.

## CASTORIA

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Is the removal of the appendix by a surgeon. No one who takes Dr. King's New Life Pills is ever subjected to this frightful ordeal. They work so quietly you don't feel them. They cure constipation, headache, biliousness and malaria. 25c at S. W. Rowley's drug store.

## FOR BEST DECLAMATION

By a High School Boy or Girl of Florida.

### A MEDAL WILL BE GIVEN

By the Florida Press Association.—A Second Medal will be Presented for the Next Best Declaration.

Lake City, Fla.—The two medals to be awarded by the Florida Press association to the best and next best declamation by a high school boy or girl of Florida, at the contest which is to be an important feature at the next State Educational association, held in Gainesville, December 29, 30, 31 and January 1, 1906, have been received by Colonel T. J. Appleby, secretary of the Florida Press association, who introduced the resolution at the last meeting of the press people of the state, whereby these medals are to be given.

They are magnificent specimens of the expert goldsmith's art, one costing \$20 and the other \$30. Both are elaborately and exquisitely engraved. Inscribed on the first medal is the following: "Florida Press Association, First Medal, 1906," and on the back of the same is inscribed: "First Annual Contest in Oratory, Gainesville, January 1, 1906." The inscription is the same on both, with the exception of the word, "Second," on the medal to be awarded the next best declamation, instead of the word "First" on this medal.

Colonel Appleby believes that in offering these medals, and in the educational association fostering the contest, with the Press association back of it, will undoubtedly bring to light much hidden talent in this direction among the high school pupils of the state. He believes that oratory in the public schools does not receive the due amount of consideration, and that in the Press association offering two such handsome medals there will grow up a desire to excel in this art.

No doubt there will be a large number of contestants for these two handsome medals by students from every high school in the state.

### OCALA NATIONAL FOREST.

Florida Gets First Reserve East of the Mississippi River.

Washington, D. C.—The National Forest reserve, about twenty-five miles southwest of Ocala, has been formally created by President Roosevelt by a proclamation.

This area of 101,434 acres is the first to be set aside by the government east of the Mississippi. It is the understanding that this tract "will be planted mainly with the Florida long-leaved pine, although some experiments have been suggested with various valuable members of the eucalypts and other species of trees not among our native woods. In the case of the pine tree it is said the cones will be planted where the tree is to grow, when new trees are necessary, as it is difficult of transportation on account of its long tap root. Some portion of this tract, about three thousand acres, it is said, has been cleared off its forest growth, cut over and must be replanted. It was only a few days ago that another large tract which had been held for this same purpose, the Forbes Purchase, was released for homestead entry, having been declared unfit for scientific forestation by the forestry authorities. The tract in Marion county referred to is pronounced in all ways well adapted for the purpose.

### LOOK FOR PROSPEROUS YEAR.

Lumber Mills in West Florida to Resume Cutting.

Pensacola, Fla.—While the price of lumber has not advanced to any material extent during the past four months, excepting a spurt prior to the presidential election, lumbermen of this section are looking forward to a prosperous year, and with this in view many of the mills in the Pensacola district are preparing to renew cutting during the next two weeks.

During the recent flurry about thirty cargoes were shipped from Pensacola and other gulf ports to South America countries alone, and this caused the market to advance. The prices attained at that time are being maintained, but the demand is off.

### STATE GLEANINGS.

Senator James P. Tallaferra was interviewed while on a visit to Pensacola. When asked whether he thought there was a chance of congress taking any action in the near future regarding the system of Gulf coast inland waterways, the senator replied: "Congress seldom acts with a view to developing any section of the country; it nearly always waits until there is a commercial demand for a certain thing before action is taken. I have no doubt the system of inland waterways will eventually be constructed, but I do not think that congress will take any steps in the matter until the development of the section through which it is proposed to construct the waterway, reaches a point where the construction of the waterway is a necessity. That the waterway system, including a ship canal across the Florida peninsula would be of the greatest value to commerce goes without saying." While there is nothing in this statement that need discourage persistent and intelligent effort to promote this important project, consideration of the main fact presented may save some of the too sanguine from disappointment. Mr. Tallaferra said further, as to the coming session of congress: "This is the time for the rivers and harbors bill and of course Florida needs all she can get of it—needs great deal more than she will get, in fact."

Tampa is looking about for a future water supply and its city engineer has just reported his survey of Sulphur Springs, which he finds have a flow of 21,000,000 gallons a day. This would be enough to supply that city for a long time. There is said to be another spring near the city the site of which is even more desirable and the flow of which is almost as great as that of Sulphur Springs.

Never in the history of Miami, has there been so large a number of tourists arrived there this early in the season. Every day marks the incoming of a large number and as the days pass the number increases. Many of those who are coming and have come to spend the winter, have brought their large touring machines with them and daily they are taking long drives through the country districts.

Tampa had a young citizen who should be trained for the navy. His parents went out in a boat to gather system and the youngster was born before his mother could be got back to land. His birth was not in a berth but in an open boat. The preference of the young stranger for an aquatic career was certainly shown early and in a marked manner.

Mayor Nash of Ocala has again ordered muzzles on the dogs of that city. Hydrophobia has reappeared and, as a number of dogs have been bitten by the infected dogs, there is danger of the disease spreading. The "friend of man" seems likely to get himself disabled in Ocala.

The figures of the November election in Calhoun county show that while the Taft electors had about ninety-eight votes more than the Bryan electors and lacked only five of having a majority of one, yet the democratic state ticket had a clear majority throughout the list from congressman down. For Congressman Mays had a plurality of 373 over Northrop and a majority of 350. For Governor Gilchrist had a plurality of 324 over Cheney and a majority of 316.

It often happens that the so-called corner is the most uncomfortable spot in the house.

### Marked for Death.

"Three years ago I was marked for death. A graveyard cough was tearing my lungs to pieces. Doctors failed to help me, and hope had fled, when my husband got Dr. King's New Discovery," says Mrs. A. C. Williams, of Bac, Ky. "The first dose helped me and improvement kept on until I had gained 58 pounds in weight and my health was fully restored." This medicine holds the world's healing record for coughs and colds and lung and throat diseases. It prevents pneumonia. Sold under guarantee at S. W. Rowley's drug store. 50c and \$1.00. Trial bottle free.

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F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O.  
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Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

Mr. Beasley, from Lexington, Ky., has arrived in Orlando with a string of fine thoroughbred horses, that he will winter on the grounds of the Orlando Driving Park association. The string comprises fourteen horses that have records either as running horses or in the harness. Six men are with the string to care for them and drive them.

### This Is Worth Reading.

Leo F. Zelinski, of 68 Gibson street, Buffalo, N. Y., says: "I cured the most annoying cold sore I ever had, with Bucklen's Arnica Salve. I applied this salve once a day for two days, when every trace of the sore was gone." Heals all sores. Sold under guarantee at S. W. Rowley's drug store.